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Scott E. Thomas, Chairman  
Federal Election Commission  
999 E Street NW  
WDC 20463

Dear Mr. Thomas:

I am writing to file a complaint against James Lee Feldkamp and the Feldkamp Congress committee in Oregon's 4<sup>th</sup> congressional district.

Since first becoming a candidate for Congress in 2003, Jim Feldkamp's congressional campaign committee has been fined twice by the FEC - once for failing to report donations in a timely manner, and another for failing to report fund raising related travel expenses. Now, based on his 2004 personal financial disclosure form, he did not have adequate "personal funds" under 11 CFR 100.33 to make and forgive loans totaling \$77,500 to his 2006 campaign. This appears to be a serious violation of campaign finance laws and we respectfully request a prompt resolution prior to the November 2006 elections.

In the 2004 primary, Feldkamp's campaign, Jim Feldkamp for Congress, received what appeared to be an illegal loan from his mother, Phyllis Feldkamp, in the amount of \$34,780. His campaign attempted to rectify the situation by refunding the loan in the '04 general election. Shortly after refunding his mother's loan, Mr. Feldkamp loaned his campaign a total of \$77,500. However, based on Feldkamp's personal financial disclosure forms, he did not have adequate "personal funds" to make and forgive the loans to his campaign.

Feldkamp's personal financial disclosure form filed on 9/21/05 shows NO earned income for 2004, the year he made the loans, and a MAXIMUM possible income from unearned sources of \$10,200. He shows no sale of, or loans against, assets, and he entered 2004 with no bank accounts in excess of \$5,000. Yet, somehow Feldkamp met his daily living expenses, paid child and spousal support of \$15,600, paid a first and second mortgage of between \$8,000 and \$21,000 on a condo in Virginia and lent his campaign in excess of \$77,000 all on a total 2004 income of \$10,200.

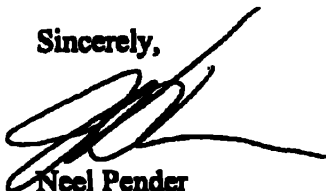
Feldkamp filed as a congressional candidate for 2006 on 9/23/05 and subsequently on 9/30/05 notified the FEC that he was contributing \$77,500 to his campaign to forgive three loans he made to the campaign during the '04 election.

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Since Mr. Feldkamp did not have adequate personal funds to loan his campaign \$77,500, or report asset sales or required disclosures which could account for the loan in 2004, he must have received money from another source in violation of campaign finance laws. We look forward to a prompt resolution to this matter.

Sincerely,



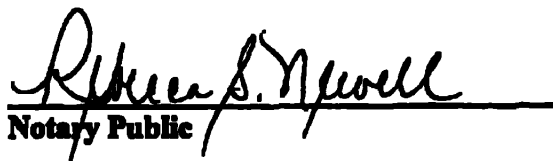
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Enclosure

STATE OF Oregon )

COUNTY OF Multnomah )

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of March 2006.

  
Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 07/28/07



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